

United States, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of the Senate bill, and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. UPTON, BARTON, WHITFIELD, SHIMKUS, LATTA, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Messrs. OLSON, MCKINLEY, POMPEO, GRIFFITH, JOHNSON of Ohio, FLORES, MULLIN, PALLONE, RUSH, Mrs. CAPPS, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Messrs. SARBANES, WELCH, BEN RAY Lujan of New Mexico, TONKO and LOEBSACK.

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of sections 3017, 3305, 4501, 4502, 5002, part II of subtitle C of title X, and section 10233 of the Senate bill, and sections 1116 and 5013 of division A, division B, and sections 1031, 1032, 1035–1037, subtitle K of title I, section 2013, subtitles F, M, and Q of title II, and title XXV of division C of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. CONAWAY, THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, and PETERSON.

From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of sections 2308, 3001, part II of title II, 3017, 3104, 3109, 3201, 3301–3306, 3308–3312, 4006, 4401, 4403, 4405, 4407, 4410, 4412–4414, title V, section 6001, subtitle A of title VI, section 6202, title VII, title IX, subtitles A, B, and C of title X, parts I, II, III, and IV of subtitle D of title X, and sections 10341 and 10345 of the Senate bill, and sections 1115 and 1116 of division A, division B, and division C of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. BISHOP of Utah, YOUNG of Alaska, Mrs. LUMMIS, Messrs. DENHAM, WESTERMAN, GRIJALVA, HUFFMAN, and Mrs. DINGELL.

From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology for consideration of sections 1014, 1201, 1203, 1301–1304, 1306–1308, 1310, 1311, 2002, 2301, 2401, part III of subtitle A of title III, sections 3101, 3302, 3307, 3402, 3403, 3501, 3502, 4001, 4002, 4006, 4101, subtitle C of title IV, sections 4402, 4404, 4406, 4720, 4721, 4727, 4728, and 4737 of the Senate bill, and section 1109 and title VII of division A, and division D of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. SMITH of Texas, WEBER of Texas, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for consideration of sections 1005, 1006, 1010, 1014, 1016–1019, 1022, 3001, 4724, title VII, and section 10331 of the Senate bill, and sections 2007, 3116, 3117, and 3141 of division A, and title IX of division B, subtitle D of title II of division C of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. HARDY, ZELDIN, and DEFazio.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2577) mak-

ing appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

The message also announced that the House insists upon its amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 2577) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and that Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Ms. GRANGER, Messrs. COLE, DENT, FORTENBERRY, ROONEY of Florida, VALADAO, Mrs. ROBY, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. DELAURO, Messrs. SERRANO, BISHOP of Georgia, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ be managers of the conference on the part of the House.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1887. An act to authorize the Comptroller General of the United States to assess a study on the alternatives for the disposition of Plum Island Animal Disease Center, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5233. An act to repeal the Local Budget Autonomy Amendment Act of 2012, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to clarify the respective roles of the District government and Congress in the local budget process of the District government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4909. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4974. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3011. A bill to improve the accountability, efficiency, transparency, and overall effectiveness of the Federal Government.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with

accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5591. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guaranteed Loanmaking and Servicing Regulations" (RIN0570-AA85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5592. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting legislative proposals relative to the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5593. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5594. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Chief Financial Officer, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Variable Annual Fee Structure for Small Modular Reactors" ((RIN3150-AI54) (NRC-2008-0664)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5595. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Review of the Allotment of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5596. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement: Likely Impact on the U.S. Economy and on Specific Industry Sectors"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5597. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on 2015 Trafficking in Persons Report Tier 3 to Tier 2 Watch List Upgrades"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5598. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2016-0066–2016-0070); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5599. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Policy, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales and Computer Employees" (RIN1235-AA11) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 23, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5600. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2014 Distribution of Funds Under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5601. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of

Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report in Response to the Sunscreen Innovation Act (P.L. 113-195) Section 586G"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5602. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Newborn Screening Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5603. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5604. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Chairman's Semiannual Report on Final Action Resulting from Audit Reports, Inspection Reports, and Evaluation Reports for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5605. A communication from the Chief Information Security Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's 2015 Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) and Agency Privacy Management Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5606. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-392, "Repeal of Outdated and Unnecessary Audit Mandates Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5607. A communication from the Chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5608. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Annual Report for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5609. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral William H. Hilarides, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5610. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Robert E. Schmidle, Jr., United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5611. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5612. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management

Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5613. A communication from the Deputy Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Customer Due Diligence Requirements for Financial Institutions" (RIN1506-AB25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5614. A communication from the Deputy Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Imposition of Special Measure against FBME Bank Ltd., formerly known as Federal Bank of the Middle East Ltd., as a Financial Institution of Primary Money Laundering Concern" (RIN1506-AB27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5615. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "EPAAR Clause for Level of Effect—Cost-Reimbursement Contract" (FRL No. 9946-47-OARM) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5616. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of California; Revised Format of 40 CFR Part 52 for Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9942-49-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5617. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; ME; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing and Surface Coating Facilities" (FRL No. 9946-94-Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5618. A communication from the Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5619. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a vacancy for the position of General Counsel, Department of Transportation, received in the office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5620. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Lake of the Ozarks, Lakeside, MO" ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0276)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to

the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5621. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anchorage Regulations; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN1625-AA01) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0825)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5622. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Youngs Bay, Astoria, OR" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0090)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5623. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Port of New York, moving Security Zone; Canadian Naval Vessels" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0215)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5624. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone, Block Island Wind Farm; Rhode Island Sound, RI" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0026)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5625. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, Minneapolis, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0337)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5626. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; National Grid—Beck Lockport 104 and Beck Harper 106 Removal Project; Niagara River, Lewiston, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0265)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5627. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Navy UNDET, Apra Outer Harbor and Piti, GU" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0274)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5628. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Pacific Ocean, North Shore Oahu, HI—Recovery Operations" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0272)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5629. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Safety Zone; Newport Beach Harbor Grand Canal Bridge Construction; Newport Beach, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0227)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5630. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Hudson River, Jersey City, NJ, Manhattan, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0109)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5631. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Annual events requiring safety zones in the Captain of the Port Lake Michigan zone" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2015-1081)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5632. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Cape Fear River; Southport, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0306)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5633. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; San Francisco State Graduation Fireworks Display, San Francisco, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0177)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5634. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Tall-Ship CUAUHEMOC; Thames River, New London Harbor, New London, CT" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0250)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5635. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Upper Mississippi River between mile 179.2 and 180.5, St. Louis, MO and between mile 839.5 and 840, St. Paul, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0354)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5636. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Sabine River, Orange, Texas" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0321)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 25, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and

were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-171. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana memorializing the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to treat mineral and gas production in the Gulf Coastal states in a manner that is at least equal to onshore oil, gas, and coal production in interior states for revenue purposes; and to rectify the revenue sharing inequities between coastal and interior energy producing states in order to address the nationally significant crisis of wetland loss in the state of Louisiana; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 66

Whereas, since 1920, interior states have been allowed to keep fifty percent of the oil, gas, and coal production revenues generated in their states from mineral production on federal lands within their borders, including royalties, severance taxes, and bonuses; and

Whereas, coastal states with onshore and offshore oil and gas production face inequities under the federal energy policies because those coastal states have not been party to this same level of revenue sharing partnership with the federal government; and

Whereas, coastal energy producing states have a limited partnership with the federal government that provides for them to retain very little revenue generated from their offshore energy production, energy that is produced for use throughout the nation; and

Whereas, in 2006 congress passed the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) that will fully go into effect in 2017; an act that calls for a sharing of thirty-seven and five tenths percent of coastal production revenues with four gulf states with a cap of five hundred million dollars per year; and

Whereas, the Fixing America's Inequities with Revenues (FAIR) Act would have addressed the inequity suffered by coastal oil and gas producing states by accelerating the implementation of GOMESA as well as by gradually lifting all revenue sharing caps but the legislation died with the close of the previous congress; and

Whereas, with the state and its offshore waters taken alone, Louisiana is the ninth largest producer of oil in the United States in 2014 while including offshore oil from federal waters, it was the second largest oil producer in the country; and when taken alone Louisiana was the fourth largest producer of gas in the United States in 2013 while including the Gulf of Mexico waters, it was the second largest producer in the United States; and

Whereas, with nineteen operating refineries in the state, Louisiana was second only to Texas as of January 2014 in both total and operating refinery capacity, accounting for nearly one-fifth of the nation's total refining capacity; and

Whereas, Louisiana's contributions to the United States Strategic Petroleum Reserve with two facilities located in the state consisting of twenty-nine caverns capable of holding nearly three hundred million barrels of crude oil; and

Whereas, with three onshore liquified natural gas facilities, more than any other state in the country, and the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, the nation's only deepwater oil port, Louisiana plays an essential role in the movement of natural gas from the United States Gulf Coast region to markets throughout the country; and

Whereas, it is apparent that Louisiana plays an essential role in supplying the nation with energy and it is vital to the security of our nation's energy supply, roles that should be recognized and compensated at an appropriate revenue sharing level; and

Whereas, the majority of the oil and gas production from the Gulf of Mexico enters the United States through coastal Louisiana with all of the infrastructure necessary to receive and transport such production, infrastructure that has for many decades damaged the coastal areas of Louisiana, an impact that should be compensated through appropriate revenue sharing with the federal government; and

Whereas, because Louisiana is losing more coastal wetlands than any other state in the country, in 2006 the people of Louisiana overwhelmingly approved a constitutional amendment dedicating revenues received from Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activity to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund for the purposes of coastal protection, including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly impacted by coastal wetland losses; and

Whereas, the state of Louisiana has developed a science-based "Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast" which identifies and prioritizes the most efficient and effective projects in order to meet the state's critical coastal protection and restoration needs; and

Whereas, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority is making great progress implementing the projects in the "Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast" with all available funding, projects that are essential to the protection of the infrastructure that is critical to the energy needs of the United States; and

Whereas, in order to properly compensate the coastal states for the infrastructure demands that result from production of energy and fuels that heat and cool the nation's homes, offices, and businesses and fuel the nation's transportation needs, revenue sharing for coastal states needs to be at the same rate as interior states that produce oil, gas, and coal: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to treat mineral and gas production in the Gulf Coastal states in a manner that is at least equal to onshore oil, gas, and coal production in interior states for revenue purposes; and to rectify the revenue sharing inequities between coastal and interior energy producing states in order to address the nationally significant crisis of wetland loss in the state of Louisiana; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

POM-172. A concurrent resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio urging the United States Congress to increase NIH funding levels for research in and development of the closed-loop system and islet cell transplantation so that those who are suffering from type 1 diabetes will have expedited access to such technology; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NUMBER 2

Whereas, More than one million Americans have been diagnosed with insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, also known as type 1 diabetes; and

Whereas, Type 1 diabetes is a disease that frequently strikes children suddenly, makes them dependent on insulin for life, and carries the constant threat of life-threatening complications; and

Whereas, The number of diagnoses of type 1 diabetes is growing at an alarming rate; and